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Docket No.: 0673-1028

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE THE APPLICATION OF

Courtney et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/862,864

FILED: May 22, 2001

FOR: Hitless Protection Switching

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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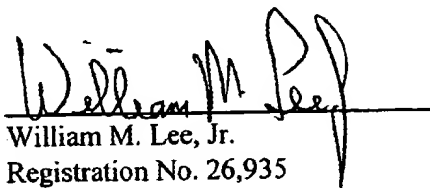
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to file Missing Parts of Application, issued July 18, 2001, submitted herewith is a declaration, signed by the inventor(s). Therefore, the requirement of the Patent and Trademark Office for a declaration has been met.

In accordance with the provisions of the rules of the Patent and Trademark Office, the required surcharge of \$130 is appended hereto.

August 17, 2001

Respectfully submitted,


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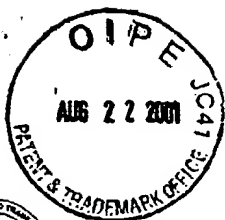
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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